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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks.

In the Specification:

On pages 311-312, replace the Tables 88 and 89 with the following tables:

Table 88. Gene-specific Primers

NOV	Primers	Sequences
NOV11c	SF1	GCCCTCCCGTCCAGGTC (SEQ ID NO:217)
	SF2	GGCGACGGCACCGAGCATGT (SEQ ID NO:218)
	SR1	GCCTGGCCTGCCGGGTCT (SEQ ID NO:219)
	SR2	CATGAGCACGTGGTAAGCG (SEQ ID NO:220)

Table 89. Gene-specific Primers

NOV	Primers	Sequences
NOV1b	SF1	GTGCTGGCATTGGAGTGTAGTG (SEQ ID NO:221)
	SF2	ATCAAGCACGTTGACACAGAACATGAG (SEQ ID NO:222)
	SF3	GCATTCACTAACCTAACACCATTACA (SEQ ID NO:223)
	SF4	GTTCAGCAGAGATGTCGTCTGACCTTC (SEQ ID NO:224)
	SF5	GGGATCCTCCAGATCCTGTATTTTT (SEQ ID NO:208)
	SF6	TGAAGAACACATCAACAAACAGACATAA (SEQ ID NO:225)
	SR1	ACTGTTTCAGCAGCTACCTTAATTTC (SEQ ID NO:226)
	SR2	CTTGATGAATGTGGTACCGAT (SEQ ID NO:227)
	SR3	GTGAATGCAAACCTTGAGGTCTTTGT (SEQ ID NO:212)
	SR4	CCTCATATAATCCTACCATTGGCTGTACT (SEQ ID NO:213)
	SR5	GAGGATCCCAGTGTAAAAATACTTCTG (SEQ ID NO:214)
	SR6	TAGCACTTCATAAGCAATAATGATCCC (SEQ ID NO:215)
	SR7	TGAGTGTACTAGCAGACACCTCAATGAT (SEQ ID NO:216)